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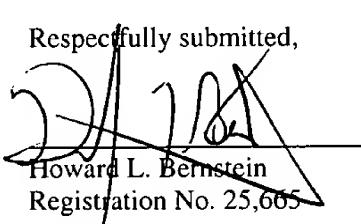
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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 10-105593, published April 24, 1998.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 2000-20589, published January 21, 2000.

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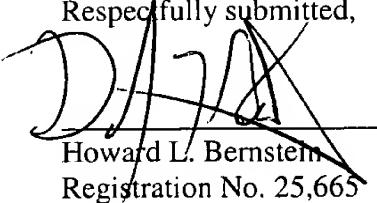
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